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FROM MR. J. G. FRAZER. ¹

KING WILLIAM CT. HO. Mch. 16th. 1773

SIR

I shou'd have spoke to you on Sunday last as you returned from Williamsbg. concerning your suit against me in our Court, but had desired Mr. Wm. Aylett to speak to you when at Wms.burg. and not hereing from him prevented me; I am not able at this time to discharge my Debts, meeting with several misfortunes at Sea and elsewhere has occasioned it, and am now prevented from going about my business, keeps me from geting in any way to discharge my Debts so soon as I wish. I have a Letter of Licence on foot only to give me Liberty three years to pay up, which I am sure of doing if I have my Liberty and Health; every Gentleman I have applyed to yet has willingly signed it, and hope you will signify as much to Mr. Lyons or [mutilated] by a line, wch. will infinitely oblige Yr. Hble Servt.

J. G. FRA [mutilated]

1 John G. Frazer was among the first volunteers in the war of the Revolution, and rose to the rank of major. The following extract is from Washington's Order Book, dated September 22, 1775: "John Gizzage Fraizer Esqr: being appointed Assistant to the Quarter Master General, for the District of Prospect and Winter hill, he is to be obeyed as such." In 1778 Major Frazer went to Bordeaux, from whence he kept up a correspondence with Washington, and continued to take an active interest in American independence.